

LEADERS HOLD CAUCUS TODAY.

Both Parties to Meet to Outline Their Plans.

HARMONY BETWEEN REPUBLICANS.

Henderson to Be Renominated— Reed Rules Likely to Prevail— Tariff Revision— Four Small Plans to Quiet the Minority.

The prologue to the Congressional drama which begins at the Capitol on Monday will be enacted today. The majority and the minority parties will hold caucuses, nominate candidates for House officers and discuss plans and policies.

The Democrats, not having on their shoulders the burden of legislative responsibility, will meet in the Hall of Representatives at 11 o'clock, and their work will be over a considerable time before the Republicans are ready to meet at 1 o'clock. The caucus of the latter will be a love feast so far as the nominations are concerned.

Harmony the Keynote.

There will be no contests of any character to mar the harmony of the gathering. General Henderson, who presided over the House during the Fifty-sixth Congress, will be unanimously renominated for Speaker, and with him all of the officers of the last House, who represented the party for two years ago, will probably name him this time.

With the nominations disposed of, the subject of rules and party policies will be taken up. It is very likely that the famous Reed rules will be adopted, but this will not be done without protest. Representative Hepburn of Iowa—"Uncle Pete," as almost everyone knows him—will make a fight for greater liberality. He has a considerable following in this matter, but probably not a majority of the Republicans. But the Republicans want to have the matter settled at their own family gathering, so that all will proceed smoothly on the floor of the House. They insist upon party discipline.

Tariff Revision.

The question of tariff revision, as suggested by Representative Hancock, may precipitate a lively discussion in the caucus. If it is presented, but there will be no doubt a tendency to steer clear of this political reef.

One small branch of the political plum tree droops over on the Democratic side of the fence. Upon it are four small plums, which the Democrats are allowed to pluck. But just the same, they will make nominations for all of the offices. Their ticket will be:

For Speaker Representative James D. Richardson, of Tennessee; for Sergeant-at-Arms, E. V. Brookshire, of Indiana; for Postmaster, George L. Browning, of Virginia; for Chaplain, the Rev. Mr. Bagley, of Virginia.

This is the same ticket voted for by the minority at the last session. The four offices allotted to the Democrats, in the magnanimity of the majority, are the chief part, the assistant sergeant-at-arms, and two of the messengers.

The Democratic Selections.

For the first two the present incumbents, James F. English and Col. Isaac Hill—the irrepressible "Ike"—will be chosen without opposition, but for the two positions as messengers there is an estimated contest between Eugene H. Blair, a son of the late "Silver King" Blair, and F. B. Knight, of Georgia, the present incumbents, and C. C. Wilson, of Kentucky, and J. A. Browning, of Virginia, the two others being in the minority.

A Binding Resolution.

This same caucus will be asked to consider resolutions prepared by Representative Burleson of Texas, which will bind members of the caucus to carry out its decisions, no longer as this does not contravene the articles of the Kansas City platform.

Mr. Burleson says that this is not intended to perpetuate free silver as an issue; it is only to keep the Populists, Socialists, and what he calls half-Republicans, who attend the Democratic caucus, but do not live up to its principles, from being a nuisance.

Many Absences.

There will be many absences in both caucuses, but both will have a majority of their members. There was a heavy influx of members yesterday, which will continue today and tomorrow, and nearly all will be here when Congress opens on Monday.

CHARGES AGAINST HEISTAND.

Committee of Investigation Will Undoubtedly Exonerate Him.

Senator Hawley's sub-committee of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs yesterday afternoon heard the arguments of the defense in the charges of Colonel Erasmus L. Hawkins, formerly of the volunteer army, against Lieut. Col. H. O. Heistand, United States Army, which arose from the contemplated organization of a company to go into the manufacture of corduroy in the Philippines. Each side was limited to an hour and a half.

The investigation took up several weeks of the committee's time and has by its journey repeatedly that additional witnesses might be brought here. The last of these witnesses was Louis B. Jackson, who was brought from Denver, and whose testimony, although not material, cost the Government \$200 in mileage and fees.

The report of the committee will not be formally made in advance of its receipt by the Senate. It will be ready in a few weeks. It is known that the members of the committee are of the view that Lieut. Colonel Heistand acted throughout the part of an honorable man, but that he was not discreet in going into a venture the success of which was intimately related to the success of military operations in the Philippines.

DESTROY MAKIN.

President McKinley's death was announced by the distinguished Spanish Republican, who was in 1878 President of the Federal Republic, died today at Barcelona in 1820.

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TO AMEND HOUSE RULES.

Representative Swanson the Champion of an Important Change.

It will be no fault of Representative Swanson of Virginia, if the rules of the House are not amended, should the opportunity be given the members to offer amendments. The rules of the last House will again be adopted, notwithstanding the fact that quite a number of Republicans, under the lead of Representative Hepburn, of Iowa, on several occasions last session denounced them as unjust and arbitrary.

Colonel Hepburn is sincere in his opposition to the "Reed Rules," which have governed the House during the past three Congresses, all he will have to do for change will be to bring a resolution, and vote for the following amendment to the rules, which he will offer if opportunity permits:

"Wherever a bill, resolution or other matter has been referred to a committee and the committee has failed to report on the same and a majority of the members of the House shall sign a petition to said committee requesting it to report thereon, the committee to which said bill, resolution or matter has been referred shall report thereon within ten days after the receipt of such petition, and if the committee fails to report within said time, then it shall be in order in the House to move at end of such time to discharge the committee from its further consideration and proceed at once to a consideration of the same in the House. The petition herein provided for shall be presented to the Speaker, who shall refer it to the proper committee and have it filed in the record of that day's proceedings."

Under this rule, Mr. Swanson said,

"the business of the House would proceed as it should proceed when a majority desired legislation which it was prevented from having by the Speaker and the committee of the House."

PHILBIN'S QUARRY KEPT A SECRET.

BUT NAGLE MAY BE THE MAN.

New York District Attorney Merely Smiles in Reply to Questions— Not After Any of the "Savvy Five."

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—There was more or less activity in the Criminal Court building today among all sorts and conditions of men who wanted to know what particular big man of the passing Tammany administration District Attorney Philbin is "after."

The district attorney was very frank in admitting that he was after somebody, and hard after him; but he also admitted that he was not so very sanguine as to the prospect of bringing an indictment against him. The district attorney said cheerfully that the object of his present solicitude was not one of Justice William Travers Jerome's "Savvy Five."

It may be remembered that they were named

by Justice Jerome thus: Devery, Carroll, Farrell, Sexton and Van Wyck. Mr. Philbin mentioned J. Promme and Richard Croker as men who were outside of the "Savvy group," but who were not necessarily objects of his attention.

When reminded that Percival E. Nagle's street cleaning department was recently the subject of a careful examination by Assistant District Attorney Scherman, disclosing many things of interest with regard to Mr. Nagle's methods of business, Mr. Philbin smiled, and said it was quite true that Mr. Scherman had made an examination.

But when asked directly whether it was Nagle he was after, Mr. Philbin still smiled, and said he would have to answer questions on the subject.

"It would be quite improper," said the district attorney, "for me to say anything as to my intentions in this matter. If I were to say that I was sure of getting enough evidence against the man I have in mind, and did not intend to let him go, it would be an expiration of my term of office, then, if my successor were to fail to indict him, it would be an unwarranted reflection on an successor. I will not say a word as to this matter now. Certainly, if I fail to indict him, I will leave all possible aid for my successor to accomplish what I have in mind."

Not of the "Savvy Five."

In answer to a specific question as to whether his man was one of the "Savvy Five," Mr. Philbin said:

"The name of the man I mean does not appear on that list. There are many other prominent Tammany men whose names do not appear on that list. For instance, there are Mr. Croker and Mr. Promme; they are prominent Tammany men, but I refer to neither of them as the man I mean."

PITTSBURGH MILLS SHUT DOWN.

Congestion of Freight Traffic Keeps Out Needed Supplies.

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 20.—On account of the congestion of freight in the yards of the river division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, all the mills whose terminals are fed from that railroad were closed down tonight for lack of material to run them. Thirteen thousand men are thus thrown into idleness.

The plants are the Crescent Steel Works, Clark's, Pittsburgh Bridge Works, Carnegie Company's Upper and Lower Union Mills, Park Steel Works, the American Steel and Wire Company's mills at Fourteenth and Twenty-first streets, the Montgomery-Torley Company's foundry, Zug & Co.'s mill and the Marshall Foundry.

Although the railroad authorities assert that they have no complaints of switch-crowded areas in place of the strikers, the trouble is that the new men are still unfamiliar with the yards. There is also a troublesome congestion in the Glenwood and Port Perry yards of the Baltimore and Ohio, and in the yards of the Junction and the Pittsburgh and Western roads, both owned by the Baltimore and Ohio.

Officials of the other roads say that work is moving smoothly.

LESS MOVING FOR SWITCHMEN.

New Haven Road Makes Consciousness After Winning Strike.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 20.—Within a week after the strike of switchmen, yardmen, and freight handlers, and on its own volition, according to Vice President Hartwell, the New York, New Haven and Hartford Road tonight put into operation an eight-hour day plan, which will employ those who were out of work only. These men and their families will be paid for each day of their absence from work only eight hours, and will be paid for the balance of the day only one hour.

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OBSERVED SIZE OF BOTH DRINKS.

TESTIMONY OF COL. MEADE READ.

Sure That Major Lanchelmer Took as Much Whisky as He Himself Did—Invitation Was Merely Official.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—When the general court-martial which is trying Col. Robert L. Meade, of the Marine Corps, resumed this morning at the navy yard Judge Advocate Niblack announced that the prosecution had finished its case. The first thing taken up by the defense was the charge of drunkenness.

Mr. Semple, Colonel Meade's counsel, began the defense by calling to the stand Lieutenants Hooker, Fryer, Beaumont, Dyleman, Sullivan and Rank. All of them testified that on the two visits of Colonel Meade and the one of Major Lanchelmer Colonel Meade was sober. In order then to get the colonel's testimony in his own defense at the court of enquiry before the present court Mr. Semple next put the judge advocate of that court, Captain Fuller, on the stand and had him read, as his testimony of the occurrences at that enquiry, the parts of the record where Colonel Meade testified and also Major Lanchelmer's cross-examination of him while on the stand.

Attempt to Show Antisms.

It was intimated that this was in lieu of placing Colonel Meade on the stand, and also to show by Major Lanchelmer's questions the animus inspiring the charge brought by him. Part of what was read as evidence for the defense was Colonel Meade's version of the drinking party at his house preceding the review at which Major Lanchelmer afterward reported Colonel Meade as unfit to appear on the field. Regarding this incident the colonel testified:

"I asked Major Lanchelmer, Captain Kane and Lieutenant Rank to my quarters to drink with me. I had two glasses of whisky in my dining room. None of the drinks were large, but Major Lanchelmer was fully as large as anyone else. No one took any more than two drinks. I asked Major Lanchelmer to stay to luncheon, and he declined, as he was to lunch with Captain Kane during inspection. He came to my tent and said he would have to postpone the drill, but did not say why."

"How do you know the size of the drinks taken at your house?" was one of Major Lanchelmer's questions.

"Because my whisky glasses are cut-glass to one inch from the bottom and the liquid in the glasses came up to that height."

Observed Size of Drinks.

"Is it your custom and do you think it proper to observe and comment on the size of a gentleman's drink?"

"I think it perfectly proper to observe the size of them. I simply glanced at the glass and saw that the colorations were the same."

WIN BY A NARROW MARGIN.

Corcoran Cadets Defeat the Carrolls by Score of 12 to 11.

The strong indoor baseball team from the Corcoran Cadets defeated the Carrolls yesterday night in a game at the institution gymnasium. After eight innings of slug-fest and hit-and-run playing, the former team won the game by the score of 12 to 11. There was no starting or hair-raising third inning climax in the last of the game, but the Carrolls were the better of the game.

The Carrolls were blanked in the first two innings, but three of their men came to the front in the third, and the Carrolls were again crossed the finishing line in the fifth and six in the sixth. This was the last time the score of the home team was in the next three innings.

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EASY OHIO AGRICULTURISTS.

Farmer Grosvener Makes a Sale and Gets Truck.

Representative Grosvener of Ohio has sold to the Athens insane asylum his farm, near Athens, to be used as a dairy farm. It contains sixty acres, and brought \$10 per acre.

"I got tired being a farmer," said Mr. Grosvener yesterday, "and decided to sell the farm. I offered it to the asylum authorities for \$100 an acre and regretted my precipitation, as the same afternoon it was offered to the asylum property, so is quite convenient to it."

TO WAR ON CONSUMPTION.

Cleveland, Ohio, Alarmed by the Result of Investigations.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 20.—An investigation into the health conditions of this city has developed the fact that one out of every fifty inhabitants is suffering from tuberculosis.

The investigation was made by the city authorities, and Dr. B. G. Hamman, steps are being taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

The ordinance prohibiting spitting in street cars is to be enforced, and clubs are being organized by the citizens to ward the authorities.

TWO WHEELS RUN OVER HIM.

The Victim Mounts His Wagon and Drives Off.

About 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon Patrick Kline, a driver for the Adams Express Company, fell from his seat on the wagon, on Third Street, between Q and R streets. The wheels of the wagon passed over his head before he could rise. The horse was going at a good speed, and could not be stopped before both the front and hind wheels passed over the man. He refused medical attention and mounted the wagon and drove off.

ASSAILED BY A MINISTER.

An Attack on Two Members of Virginia's Convention.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 20.—The race issue has been raised in a most unexpected manner by a memorial which has been prepared for presentation to the Constitutional Convention by the Rev. W. T. Roberts, rector of Bruton Episcopal Church at Williamsburg.

The memorial is directed against Lyon G. Tyler, a son of John Tyler, President of William and Mary College at Williamsburg.

Mr. Tyler is a State Senator, James S. Tyler is President of that institution. The minister, in his memorial, accuses both these gentlemen of drinking and gambling, and winds up with what he considers the gravest charge of all, that Mr. Tyler's daughter is a schoolmate of Booker T. Washington's daughter at Wesley College.

Mr. Roberts intimates very strongly that he fears Mr. Tyler is in favor of mixed schools. His attack was called forth by the action of the education committee of the Constitutional Convention, which proposes to make Mr. Tyler a member of the State Board of Education.

Every effort has been made to suppress the memorial, and up to the present time no member of the convention has been found who is willing to present it to the convention.

Steps the Cough and Works the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents.

AT SEA OVER MR. CROKER.

Tammany Men Much Puzzled as to His Future Plans.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The friends of Richard Croker seemed today to be very much at sea in regard to his plans for the future. It was announced by one contingent of his admirers that Mr. Croker had made up his mind that the political situation in New York City was such that it would be necessary for him to sell his English home, Mount Home, in Wantage, and spend all of his time in this country. It was declared that Mr. Croker was looking for a new deputy in Tammany Hall, and that this man would not be any of the present prominent factors in the organization.

What truth there was in this story could not be learned tonight, for Mr. Croker left the Democratic Club early and did not return up to a late hour.

Others of Mr. Croker's friends declared this week that he would go to Carlsbad either before Christmas or immediately after, but that his stay in Europe would be very much shorter this season than it was last.

Still another company of Crokerites declare that Mr. Croker will stay in this country until the middle of January, and that he will then go to a German watering place, from there to Wantage, and return to this city in time to see out the year, and then to the preliminary sailing in the State campaign next year.

HARMONY OFFER REJECTED.

Greater New York to Get Along Without Mr. Croker.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The Greater New York Democracy, through its executive committee, served notice this evening on Richard Croker that his plea for harmony would not be listened to, and began the work of making its organization more compact and better able to handle the political and technical matters that will be brought up at the next year.

Among those at the meeting were Sherbrooke O'Brien and Register-elect Brown, and telling Mr. Croker that no harmony would be dealt with in the next year.

Matthew J. Green, of the Bronx, one of the organizers of the party, offered a resolution congratulating the voters of the city on the outcome of the election, and telling Mr. Croker that no harmony would be dealt with in the next year.

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REINSURING THE ROANOKE.

Rates Advanced Five Per Cent on the Overseas Ship.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—There were indications today of renewed anxiety concerning the American ship Roanoke, en route from Norfolk, Va., with coal for this port, and out 171 days. Reinsurance, which had dropped from 25 to 15 per cent, was advanced to 20 per cent.

The Roanoke was last night in the bay, and the insurance was advanced since the Roanoke was due, and unless she appears or is reported within a few days, reinsurance is expected to advance rapidly.

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ESCAPED FROM REFORM SCHOOL.

Seventeen-Year-Old Girl Caught and Taken Back.

Grace Schneider, a comely young girl, who, despite the fact that she is but seventeen years of age, has figured quite prominently in police circles during the past year, was once again taken into custody yesterday by Policeman Fraser, of the First precinct. This time the girl was charged with being a "fugitive from justice." She was several months ago, after being taken into custody by the police, and was returned to the reform school, called at the House of Detention and escorted the girl back to the home.

Hearse and Car Collide.

Car 25, of the Capital Traction Company, struck a hearse last night from the stables of August Burgess, 418 Eighth Street northwest. The accident occurred at Four-and-a-half Street and Pennsylvania Avenue. The hearse, driven by the driver, escaped injury, as did the horse. Only slight damage resulted, both to the car and hearse.

Colored Man Missing.

James Devine, colored, employed as an elevator man at the Century Building on Fifth Street, has disappeared from his home, 206 E Street southwest. Nothing at all is known about him. His friends yesterday notified the police of his disappearance, and a lookout was sent about the city. It is said Devine started out for work early yesterday morning, and has not since been seen.

The Best Prescription for Malaria

is a bottle of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteful form. No cure, no pay. Price 50c.

AFFAIRS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.

COMMENT IN REGARD TO A PRIZE.

The First Regiment Criticized for Acceptance of the Award by Default—The Oneida's Cruise of a Day.

The phlegmatic acceptance by the First Regiment rifle team of the prize of the regimental match at the recent meeting on the Orday range has stirred up all kinds of dissatisfaction in National Guard circles. The Second Regiment team in that match ran up a score of sixty-three points more than its opponents, but was ruled out on a technicality involving the unintentional oversight in the transfer of Private Pile and Sergeant Groom from the Sixth Battalion to the Fourth.

"Unsportsmanlike" is the term which the Second Regiment rifle team apply to their opponents for their acceptance of the prize on the ground of default. This view is also taken by a few officers in the First Regiment who are not connected with the rifle team, and by staff officers who have no particular affiliation with either team.

First Regiment Thick Skinned.

The general current of disapprobation seems to have little effect on the First Regiment rifle team. Several of them have asserted that they know the Second Regiment was violating the firing regulations, because of the error in the transfer of the two men, and that the First Regiment team did not shoot its best, knowing that it would gain the match through default. This phase of presentation of the prize was thought to improve the rather strained situation.

After Major Hill, inspector general of rifle practice, rendered the decision, denying the Second Regiment the prize, the committee at fault, there was considerable speculation as to whether or not the First Regiment would be content to take the prize on such terms, or whether they would perhaps the First Regiment rifle team, when offered the prize, would decline on the ground that they had been outclassed at the Orday range, and therefore waive the default and let the victory go to the Second Regiment team.

The Incident Closed.

Such was not the case, however, and the present dissatisfaction has been in no way relieved by the discussion aroused. Of course, the incident is closed now, as far as any awarding of the prize is concerned. It is expected, however, that teams will hereafter look well to their qualifications before they begin to fire in matches.

Efforts will be made during the coming rally practice season to encourage the rifle team to such an extent that there will be more incentive for novices to enter. At the present time it is said that old marksmen enter all the matches possible, and render the competition so keen that a novice has little chance even in a minor event.

The Cruise of the Oneida.

Under command of Lieut. R. B. Brummett the Oneida made a short cruise down the river last Sunday. A goodly muster of the citizen Jack Tars was made when the sturdy craft stood out into the channel. Everything was busy from the very start until the conclusion of the day-long cruise. Since the recent shake-up in the Naval Battalion a bit of new life seems to have been infused, and the standard of efficiency is apparently pushing rapidly upward.

The Last Cruise of the Year.

The crew was instructed in the use of the compass and other duties in handling the ship. No more cruises will be made this year on account of the small coal supply on hand. The regular Friday night assembly aboard the Oneida have been commenced, however, and drill at that time will be vigorously pushed.

Discharged From Service.

Upon their own application, the following have been honorably discharged from the National Guard: Sergeant Joseph W. Manning, Company D, Second Battalion; Sergeant John W. Dayton, Company A, First Battalion; Private L. P. Stuart and Private B. W. Weaver, Company A, Third Battalion. E. C. Saltzman has been ordered honorably discharged from the service on account of removal from the District of Columbia.

A NEW STEEL COMPANY.

Pacific Coast Concern Files Papers at Augusta, Me.

AUGUSTA, Me., Nov. 20.—Papers for the Pacific Coast Steel Company, a \$5,000,000 corporation, have been filed with the Secretary of State.

The company is authorized to produce and manufacture iron and steel and all other metals in any country in the world. The charter gives the corporation a very wide scope and among many other things is given the right to run steamship lines and to do a banking business.

The charter is drawn up by the New York, president and treasurer.

THE CLERGY LIKE IT.

Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder Cures All Cereals. It Relieves in 10 Minutes.

Here are a few names of clergymen of different creeds who are firm believers in Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder to "live up to the preaching" in it. It claims Bishop Sweetman, Rev. Dr. Langtry (Episcopalian); Rev. Dr. Withrow and Rev. Dr. Chambers (Methodist) and Dr. Newsham (Episcopalian). Copies of their personal letters for the asking, 50 cents. Sold by F. S. Williams, 9th and P sts.; Edmunds & Williams, 3d and Penn. Ave.—4

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HAVANA, Cuba, Nov. 17.—Mrs. Lola Montalvo, who was Miss Barton's assistant, and is now nurse of the Succoring Hospital in Guanabacoa and wife of Mr. R. J. Montalvo, Warden of the City Prison in Havana, has made this statement:

"Paine's celery compound has been used at the Guanabacoa Hospital as many as five years with great success. Many women were scarcely able to move; there were others with a very weak nervous system. A hundred instances could be given of our patients who have been completely cured by using this wonderful Paine's celery compound. One bottle cured a Miss Augustina Azevedo, who had heart disease. She was old and her age was against her. Other medicines had failed. May the Lord bless those individuals who brought it before the market and public."